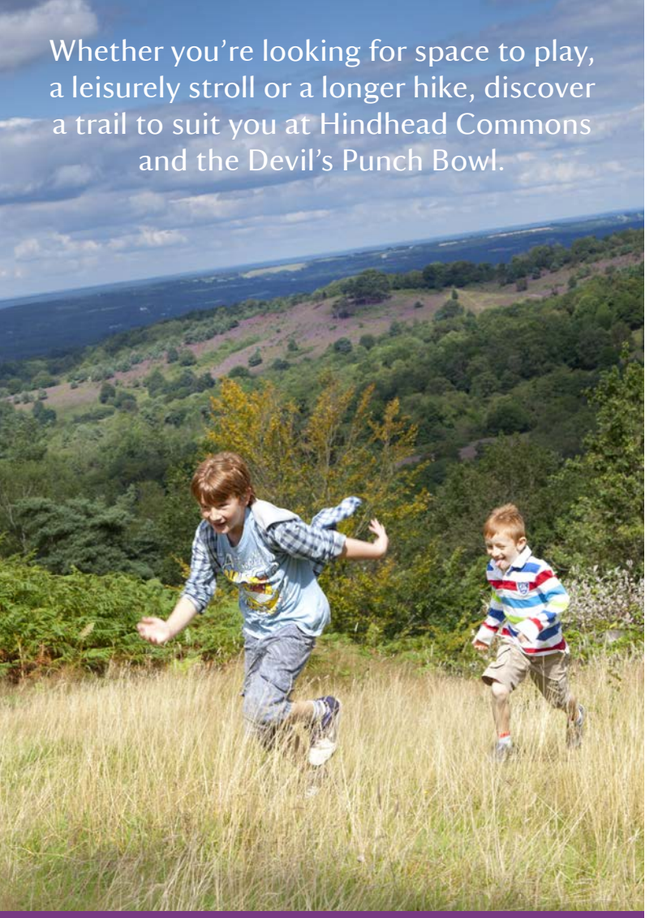
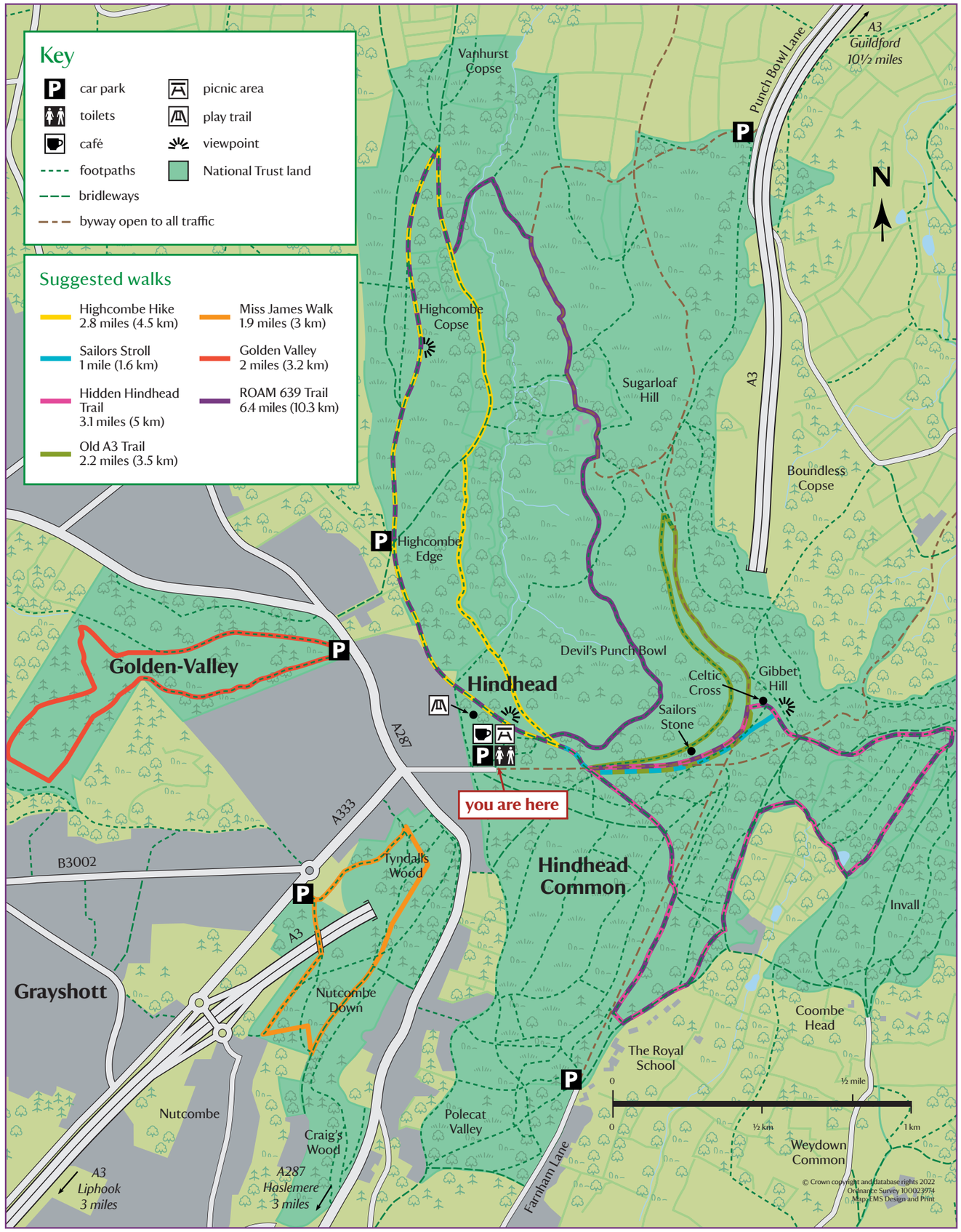


Whether you're looking for space to play, a leisurely stroll or a longer hike, discover a trail to suit you at Hindhead Commons and the Devil's Punch Bowl.

## Bring your dog

This is an ideal place to bring your dog for a walk. There's a wide variety of paths and open spaces for you and your four-legged friend to explore. Here's what to keep in mind to help make sure all our visitors, dogs, and wildlife get along together.

- You must keep your dog on a short lead between April and September. The heathland supports rare and threatened species of birds that need undisturbed habitats to breed.
- We have ponies that live on the common. Please check gates and fences where you are walking and keep your dog on a short lead in grazing areas.
- While lots of us love dogs, some of us don't. Please respect other people and make sure your dog doesn't run up to them.
- Please make sure to take home your dog waste.




## Trail information

### Sailors Stroll

An easy route with only gentle gradients and mostly flat surfaces – **1 mile (1.6 km)**.
**Terrain and elevation:** Mostly paved road with some prepared paths. Gentle slopes and two bridle gates. Suitable in all weather.
Well-connected gentle path to the summit of Gibbet Hill, the second highest point in Surrey. With views across the Weald, on a clear day you can see London and other Surrey hills including Leith Hill and Box Hill.

### Hidden Hindhead Trail

A demanding route including some steep gradients and uneven surfaces – **3.1 miles (5 km)**.
**Terrain and elevation:** Varied tracks and rocky paths. Steep inclines. If wet, some muddy sections can be expected.
Find a traditionally worked chestnut coppice and our protected heathland on this route that takes in Gibbet Hill and Temple of the Four Winds, each with sweeping views of the landscape. Learn about the old turnpike road which made this 'the most villainous place in the south of England'.

### Highcombe Hike

A demanding route including some steep gradients and uneven surfaces – **2.8 miles (4.5 km).**
**Terrain and elevation:** Varied tracks and rocky paths. Steep inclines. If wet, some muddy sections can be expected.
Head through ancient woodland and open heath to find out how the Punch Bowl was formed. On the way learn about the people who lived in the old 'broom-squires' cottages and how they eked out their living here over the centuries.

### ROAM 639 Trail

A challenging route across the landscape with some uneven surfaces and steep gradients – **6.39 miles (10.3 km).**
**Terrain and elevation:** Varied terrain including gravel, tracks, cattle grids, paved and unpaved roads, and rocky paths. Some steps and steep inclines. If wet, some muddy sections can be expected.
This trail is named for Richard Overall, a local man who died from muscular dystrophy, and two local young brothers, Alfie and Arthur Marchant, whose lives were also affected by this condition. The '639' in the name represents the number of muscles in the human body and the length of the walk.

### Old A3 Trail

An easy route with gentle gradients and compacted surfaces – **2.2 miles (3.5 km).**
**Terrain and elevation:** All-weather prepared paths with some paved road. One moderate slope and two bridle gates. Suitable in all weather.
Discover the heathland and views across the iconic landscape, as you sweep around the top of the Devil's Punch Bowl on this well-connected and mostly level path.

### Miss James' Walk

A gentle route with some uneven surfaces and moderate gradients – **1.9 miles (3km).**
**Terrain and elevation:** Varied tracks. Moderate inclines. If wet, some muddy sections can be expected.
This woodland trail uses the new Miss James' footbridge over the A3, and the cool shade of the woodland is ideal in the warm summer sun. Take a walk and find out who Miss James was.

### Golden Valley

A more demanding route with some uneven surfaces and steep gradients – **2 miles (3.2km).**
**Terrain and elevation:** Varied tracks. Steep inclines. If wet, some muddy sections can be expected.
In the autumn it is easy to see where this valley gets its name from. The golden leaves of the beeches, sycamores and oaks are beautifully contrasted by the dark green Scot's Pine trees.

Welcome to

# Hindhead Commons and the Devil's Punch Bowl

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For a warm welcome and a hot drink, wholesome lunch or a tasty treat, the Punch Bowl Café is the perfect place to meet up with friends or relax after a stroll.

We bake all of our cakes and bakes on site and the menu changes with the seasons, so there's often something new to try.

## More storytelling

You'll find a second-hand bookshop inside the café. If you choose to buy or share a book, your donation will help us look after the landscape.

You can also donate your unwanted books. They're great for raising funds to help our work.

Immerse yourself in a colourful mosaic of purple, greens and gold. You don't have to go far to enjoy the stunning views across the Punch Bowl and beyond.

## Vital work

Hindhead Commons and the Devil's Punch Bowl has a special mosaic of habitats. There is upland and lowland heath, bog, streams, ancient woodland, and free draining sandy soil, making it a challenge to manage. Heather mowing, the introduction of woodlark nesting areas, grazing and scrub management has all contributed to its success for nature.

Whether you paid to park, choose to donate in a collection box or at the till, your generosity will fund important conservation projects like the grazing Exmoor ponies you might see.

## Volunteer with us

Our volunteers make our work to look after nature and history for future generations possible. There are many ways you can get involved with the work at the places we look after. Talk to us today or contact us at surreyhills@nationaltrust.org.uk.

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## Where next?

All our countryside locations in Surrey Hills provide an opportunity to explore wildlife and nature. With spectacular views across the region, our places are the perfect retreat from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

Frensham Little Pond

Witley and Milford Commons

Box Hill

Leith Hill


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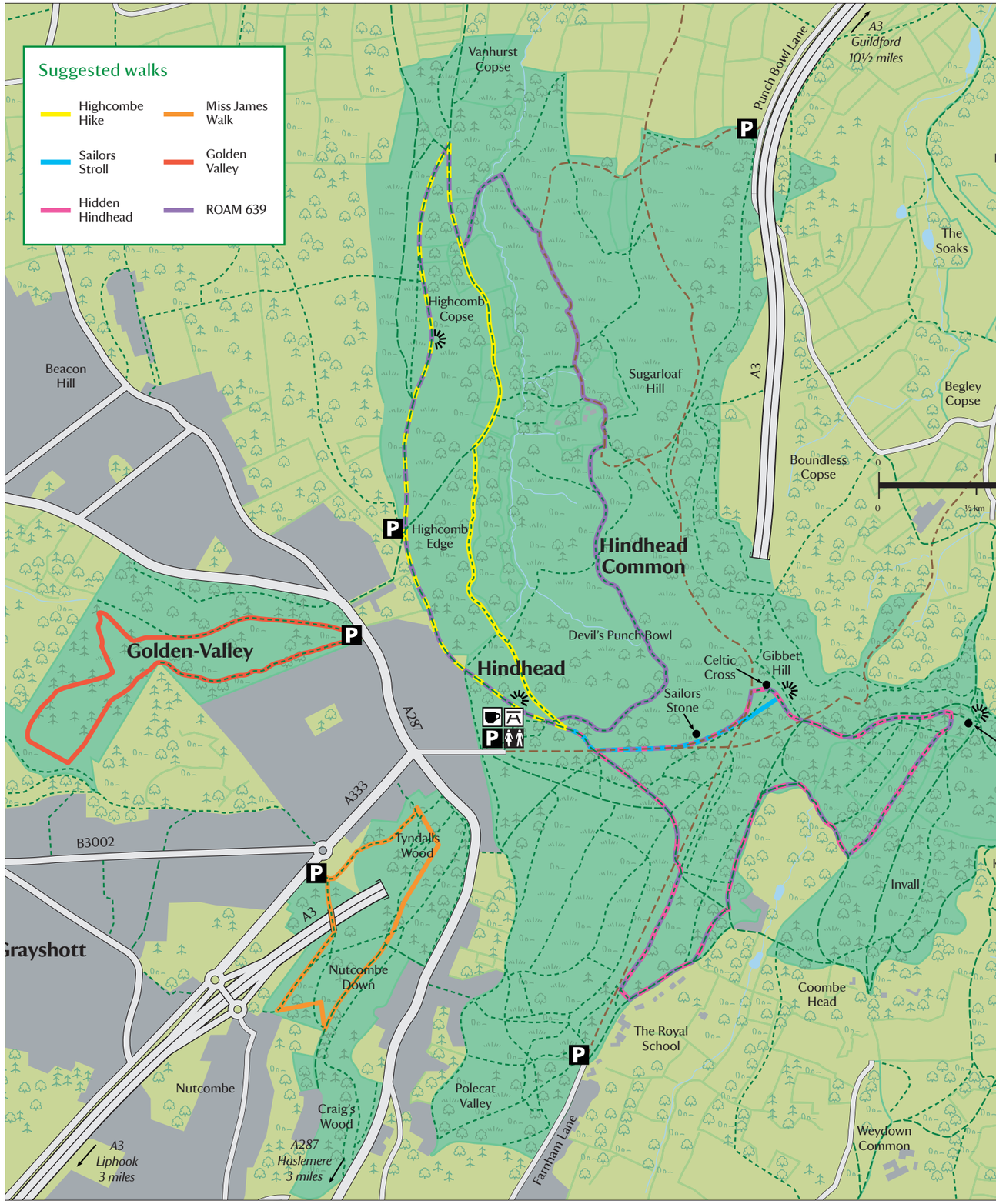
Suggested walks
Highcombe Hike
Miss James Walk
Sailors Stroll
Golden Valley
Hidden Hindhead
ROAM 639
Vanhurst Copse
Punch Bowl Lane
A3
Guildford
10½ miles
The Soaks
Highcomb Copse
Beacon Hill
Sugarloaf Hill
A3
Begley Copse
Boundless Copse
0
½ km
Highcomb Edge
Hindhead Common
Golden-Valley
Devil's Punch Bowl
Hindhead
Celtic Cross
Gibbet Hill
Sailors Stone
A287
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Invall
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Nutcombe Down
Coombe Head
The Royal School
Nutcombe
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